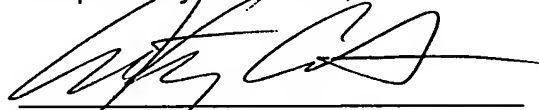


## REMARKS

Applicants have cancelled Claims 7 and 11-12, added Claims 20-22 and rewritten Claims 1-6, 8-10 and 13-19 for grammatical purposes only to comply with US requirements. No new matter has been added as a result of this amendment. If for any reason the Examiner is unable to allow the application in the next Office Action and believes that a telephone interview would be helpful to resolve any remaining issues, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'AP Curtis', written over a horizontal line.

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